

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 66

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A RESOLUTION to commend Taiwan on its contributions to the global economy and the promotion of world peace, freedom, and human rights and to support its efforts to join the United Nations, the World Health Organization, and other international organizations.

WHEREAS, Taiwan and the United States of America are long standing allies, both dearly cherishing the universal values of freedom, democracy, and human rights; and

WHEREAS, Taiwan is the world's sixteenth largest economy, the United States' eighth largest trading partner, and the fifth largest market for the United States' agricultural products; and

WHEREAS, the State of Tennessee and Taiwan have enjoyed long and mutually beneficial sister-state relations since 1980, with the prospect of further growth; the State of Tennessee supports a Free Trade Agreement between the United States and Taiwan; and

WHEREAS, Taiwan, as a leading manufacturer of information technology products, is an indispensable provider in the global high-tech industry, and its peace and stability are not only vital to the Asian Pacific region, but also to the world economy; and

WHEREAS, Taiwan is one of the most active contributing parties in disaster relief efforts world-wide but is not represented in the United Nations, the World Health Organization, and other important international organizations, therefore hindering the human rights of the 23 million Taiwan inhabitants; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that the efforts of Taiwan to join the United Nations, the World Health Organization, and other international organizations are commended and supported.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Clerk of the Senate is directed to transmit an enrolled copy of this resolution to Mr. R.C. Wu, Director General of the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Atlanta.